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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2002 (Paper No. 12) in the above-identified application. This response is being timely filed in view of the simultaneous filing of a Petition for Extension of Time (three months) to and including January 15, 2003.

Please amend the application without prejudice as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1, 4, and 95-110 and add new claims 118-140 as follows:

--118. (New) A composition comprising a calix[n]pyrrole macrocycle that has n pyrrole rings linked in α positions via sp³ hybridized meso-carbon atoms, wherein neither nonpyrrole substituent of the meso-carbon atoms is hydrogen and wherein n is 5, 6, 7, or 8; the macrocycle noncovalently-complexed to a molecular or anionic species.